



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Deung-Mo Che et al.  
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 Title : METHOD OF MANUFACTURING HOT ROLLED STEEL SHEET USING  
 MINI MILL PROCESS

Art Unit : 3726  
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Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION DATED OCTOBER 3, 2002

The Examiner indicated that the response filed on June 26, 2002 was not fully responsive to the prior Office Action. Applicants have amended clerical errors in the response, such as underlining added language and bracketing deleted language in amended claims, so as to conform to 37 CFR 1.111. Below is the amended response.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 27, 2002

In response to the action mailed February 27, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 30 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Preferably, a width roller 22 is mounted upstream from the first descender 18a for controlling a width of the slabs before the descaling operation. At this time, the slabs are width-rolled based on a thickness of the slabs, and the width roller 22 enables the width of the slabs to be rolled up to roughly 14-15 mm. Further, by the width rolling of the slabs before the descaling

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